To: Connecticut General Assembly

From: Dianna McCaffrey

Re:

SB 738 - An act concerning the creation of regional school districts

Governor's Bill 874 - An act concerning education initiatives and services in Connecticut Please note that I, Dianna McCaffrey, of 100 Williamsburg Dr. Monroe, CT 06468, am strongly against the passing of the above-mentioned bills. These bills are ambiguous and can lead to disastrous results in our town and for our children.

The state government should not take funds from school districts that are excelling to then redistribute. Our town knows how to operate our schools. Instead of putting money towards unnecessary research and then mandating change, time should be spent sharing ideas and processes to help better each other. Learn from each other! Put that money towards the teacher pensions and salaries instead of research company pockets!

These bills are a disappointing attempt to save money in a state budget by taking funds from where they are sorely needed, the schools. This is not in the best interest of our children, the future of Connecticut.